

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 452

By Haynes

A RESOLUTION To honor the memory of state legislative
employee Dianne Shea.

WHEREAS, The members and staff of the General Assembly were deeply saddened to learn of the death of our beloved friend and colleague, Dianne Shea; and

WHEREAS, Dianne was a dedicated and loyal employee of Legislative Information Systems who, during her illness, displayed immense courage and selflessly reached out to comfort those she loved; and

WHEREAS, She epitomized the ideal of the devoted state employee and was dearly loved by her co-workers, as illustrated by her much deserved recognition by the Tennessee General Assembly as its 2000 Joint Legislative Employee of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Dianne's colleagues have described her as "competent, accurate, efficient, positive, cheerful, helpful, fun, inspiring, admirable and courageous"; she was a perfect example of what an employee should be; and

WHEREAS, She always accomplished what was asked of her, even volunteering to perform additional work when necessary; her positive attitude and sense of humor helped to lessen the tension of what could have otherwise been stressful situations; and

WHEREAS, Dianne touched countless lives during her meritorious service to the General Assembly, not only through the dedication with which she carried out her responsibilities at LIS, but also by means of her worthy personal example; and

WHEREAS, She is survived by her loving and supportive family, including her parents, James Shea, Jr. and Betty Shea; her four sisters, Angela (Steve) Geldrich, Beth (Paul) Heathcock, Pam (Steve) Shelton, Dede (John) Childers; her brother, James "Jamie" Shea, III; her nephews, Steven Geldrich and Adam Shelton; and her nieces, Mary Geldrich and Hailey Shelton; and

WHEREAS, Her death creates a void that will not be easily filled, as we will greatly miss her infectious smile and indomitable spirit; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Dianne Shea, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character, her honorable and astute service to the good people of this State as a model employee of the General Assembly, and the positive impact she had on so many people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we offer our sympathy and extend our condolences to Dianne's family and numerous friends.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.